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Applicant(s) Jeffrey W. RUBERTI et al. Confirmation No.: 4892

App. No.: 10/597,688 Examiner: Unassigned

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Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR CONTROLLING AND FORMING

POLYMER GELS

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.47

United States Patent and Trademark Office Randolph Building 401 Dulany Street Alexandria. VA 22314

Sir:

Petitioners hereby respond to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated April 2, 2007 by making the application on behalf of an inventor who refuses to file a declaration in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.63.

Petitioner provides an explanation by declaration, which upon information and belief accurately sets forth the refusal of Dr. Ruberti to provide a declaration in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.63. Petitioner believes that Dr. Ruberti's work address is:

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Petitioner files this petition to preserve its rights and to commence examination of the captioned application. Petitioner provides the fee due under 37 CFR § 1.17(g) for this petition, and the fee for a one-month extension of time, which can be charged to deposit account no. 50-3840. Please debit any underpayments, or credit any overpayments, to firm deposit account no. 50-3840. Petitioner also provides herewith the signed inventor's declaration of Gavin Braithwaite.

Please contact the undersigned at 202-416-6800 should there be any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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